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5:1 Then shall the
righteous man stand
in great boldness,
before the face of
such as have afflicted
him, and made
no account of
his labours.
5:2 When they see
it, they shall be
troubled with terrible
fear, and shall be

amazed at the strangeness of his salvation, so far beyond all that they looked for.
5:3 And they repenting, and groaning for anguish of spirit, shall say within themselves, This was he whom we had sometimes in derision, and a proverb of reproach.

5:4 We fools accounted his life madness, and his end to be without honour.
5:5 How is he numbered among the children of God, and his lot is among the saints?
5:6 Therefore have we erred from the way of truth, and the light of righteousness hath not shined unto us,

and the Sun of righteousness rose not upon us.
5:7 We wearied ourselves in the way of wickedness, and destruction: yea, we have gone through deserts, where there lay no way: but as for the way of the Lord, we have not known it.
5:8 What hath pride profited us? or what

good hath riches
with our vaunting
brought us?
5:9 All those things
are passed away
like a shadow, and as
a post that hasted by.
5:10 And as a ship that
passeth over the
waves of the water,
which when it is gone
by, the trace thereof
cannot be found:
neither the path way

of the keel in
the waves
5:11 Or as when a
bird hath flown
through the air, there
is no token of her way
to be found, but the
light air being beaten
with the stroke of her
wings, and parted with
the violent noise and
motion of them, is
passed through, and
therein afterwards no

sign where she went,
is to be found.
5:12 Or like as when an
arrow is shot at a
mark, it parteth the air,
which immediately
cometh together
again: so that a man
cannot know where it
went through:
5:13 Even so we in like
manner, as soon as
we were born, began
to draw to our end,

and had no sign of virtue to shew: but were consumed in our own wickedness.
5:14 For the hope of the ungodly is like dust that is blown away with the wind, like a thin froth that is driven away with the storm: like as the smoke which is dispersed here and there with a tempest,

and passeth away as the remembrance of a guest that tarrieth but a day.

5:15 But the righteous live for evermore, their reward also is with the Lord, and the care of them is with the most High.

5:16 Therefore shall they receive a glorious kingdom, and a beautiful crown from

the Lords hand: for with his right hand shall he cover them, and with his arm shall he protect them.

5:17 He shall take to him his jealousy for complete armour, and make the creature his weapon for the revenge of his enemies.

5:18 He shall put on righteousness as a

breastplate, and true judgment instead of an helmet.
5:19 He shall take holiness for an invincible shield.
5:20 His severe wrath shall he sharpen for a sword, and the world shall fight with him against the unwise.
5:21 Then shall the right-aiming thunder bolts go abroad, and

from the clouds, as from a well-drawn bow, shall they fly to the mark.

5:22 And hailstones full of wrath shall be cast as out of a stonebow, and the water of the Sea shall rage against them, and the floods shall cruelly drown them.

5:23 Yea a mighty wind shall stand up against

them, and like a storm shall blow them away: thus iniquity shall lay waste the whole earth, and ill dealing shall overthrow the thrones of the mighty.

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